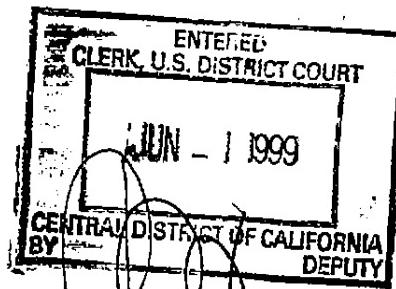


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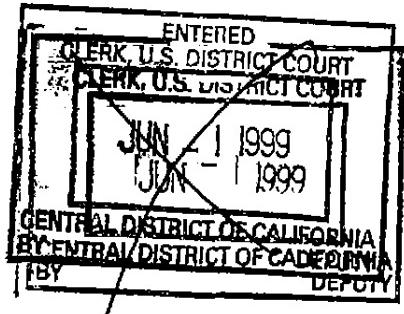
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11 THREE BOYS MUSIC CORPORATION,) CV 92-1177 LGB (GHKx)
12 Plaintiff,)
13 v.) ORDER
14 MICHAEL BOLTON, individually, and) GRANTING MOTION FOR
15 d/b/a MR. BOLTON'S MUSIC INC.;) WRIT OF EXECUTION
16 ANDREW GOLDMARK; NONPAREIL MUSIC,) FOR SPECIAL MASTER'S FEES
17 LTD.; WARNER-TAMERLANE PUBLISHING) AND EXPENSES
18 CORP.; WB MUSIC CORP. and SONY)
MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT, INC.,)
Defendants.)
)

I. INTRODUCTION

On January 17, 1995, this Court appointed Alan L. Isaacman as a Special Master in the matter entitled Three Boys Music Corp. v. Michael Bolton, et al. CV92-1177 LGB (GHKx). Both Parties allegedly agreed to share the Master's fees and expenses equally.

By the instant motion, Isaacman moves the Court pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 53(a) for an issuance of a writ of execution for the Master's unpaid fees and expenses in the amount of \$21,718.92 plus interest, against Plaintiff Three Boys Music Corp.

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1 By Minute Order, dated May 26, 1999, this matter was taken
2 off calendar pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 78 and
3 Central District Local Rule 7.11 and decided on the basis of the
4 papers submitted.

5 For the following reasons, this Court GRANTS Isaacman's
6 motion for a writ of execution for special master's fees and
7 expenses.

8 **II. FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

9 Isaacman alleges the following facts:

10 By Minute Order, dated January 17, 1995, this Court
11 appointed Isaacman as a Special Master in this matter. See
12 Isaacman Decl., Ex. A. Subsequently, Isaacman commenced
13 performance of his duties as Special Master, and submitted a
14 report to the Court. At the outset, Isaacman, counsel for
15 Plaintiff, and counsel for the Defendants all agreed that
16 Isaacman's fees and expenses would be shared equally, with one-
17 half paid by the Plaintiff and one-half paid by the Defendants.
18 Issaccson rendered his billings accordingly. See Isaacman Decl.,
19 ¶ 4.

20 For a time, Plaintiff and Defendants each paid their one-
21 half shares in accordance with their agreement. However,
22 although the Defendants have paid their half in full, Plaintiff
23 has paid only part of its share, and a balance of \$21,718.92 has
24 remained outstanding for a period in excess of two years. See
25 Isaacman Decl., ¶ 5. Monthly statements in that amount have been
26 rendered to Plaintiff's counsel, who has advised Isaacman that he

1 has forwarded those statements on to the Plaintiff. See Isaacman
2 Decl., ¶ 5, Ex. B. Isaacman has not received any objections to
3 the statements, and despite Isaacman's numerous attempts to
4 obtain payment of the balance, Plaintiff has failed to remit any
5 payment since January of 1997.

6 By the instant motion, filed May 12, 1999, Isaacman moves
7 the Court pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 53(a) for
8 an issuance of a writ of execution for the Master's unpaid fees
9 and expenses in the amount of \$21,718.92 plus interest, against
10 Plaintiff Three Boys Music Corp. Isaacman served counsel for
11 Plaintiff with notice of the motion by mail on May 11, 1999. The
12 opposition to this motion was due on May 24, 1999. Plaintiff
13 Three Boys Music Corp. did not file an opposition to this motion.

14 **IV. ANALYSIS**

15 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 53(a), governing the
16 appointment of Special Masters, provides in pertinent part:

17 The master shall not retain the master's report as
18 security for the master's compensation; but when the
19 party ordered to pay the compensation allowed by the
20 court does not pay it after notice and within the time
21 prescribed by the court, the master is entitled to a
22 writ of execution against the delinquent party.

23 Fed. R. Civ. P. 53(a).

24 Here, the requirements of Rule 53(a) have been met. As set
25 forth in Isaacman's declaration, Plaintiff has had ample notice
26 of the amount owing, having received monthly statements for over

1 two years, without objection. While this Court in its Order of
2 Appointment did not specify a particular time for payment, a
3 reasonable time may be inferred, and such a time has undoubtedly
4 passed. Isaacman has repeatedly attempted, without success, to
5 obtain payment from Plaintiff. Having rendered his services, the
6 Special Master is entitled to be compensated therefor.

7 Accordingly, the Court HEREBY GRANTS Isaacman's motion for a writ
8 of execution against Plaintiff in the amount of \$21,718.92 plus
9 interest.

10 V. CONCLUSION

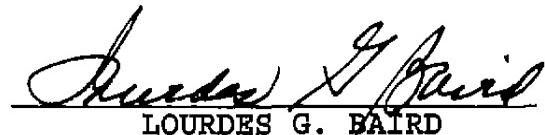
11 For the foregoing reasons, the Court HEREBY GRANTS
12 Isaacman's motion for a writ of execution against Plaintiff Three
13 Boys Music Corp. in the amount of \$21,718.92 plus interest.

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16 IT IS SO ORDERED.

17 Dated: May 27, 1999


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United States District Judge

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